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In re the Application of Eric Wensing	CUSTOMER NO. 27717
Title: HOLE FORMING TOOL	
Serial No.: 10/631,048	Examiner: Christopher J. Novosad
Filing Date: July 29, 2003	Art Unit: 3671
Seyfarth Shaw Docket No. TJK/405	Confirmation No. 9283
Date: January 27, 2005	) ) ) ) ) )

### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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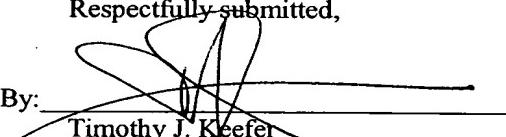
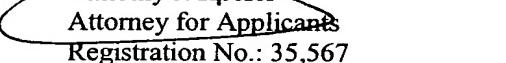
Sir:

Please find enclosed the following documents pertaining to the above-referenced application:

- \* Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- \* Amendment (7 pages) with Certificate of First Class Mailing;;
- \* Return Postcard

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Date: 1/27/05

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on November 2, 2004 setting a shortened statutory response date of three months. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed. Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks and respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections made in the Action and to allow the claims to issue.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

I hereby certify that, on January 27, 2005, this correspondence is being deposited with the U. S. Postal Service, as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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